REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	06 March 2003
Name of applicant/court:	New Zealand Customs Service
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Joker Presents Volume 28
Other Known Title(s):	Die Superfotze
Director(s):	Not Stated
Producer(s):	Not Stated
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author(s):	Not Applicable
Format:	Video Recording VHS/PAL
Country of Origin:	Germany
Language(s):	German, Dutch

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	Joker Presents Volume 28	Running Time:	90.03
Trailers:	Nil	Running Time:	
		Total Running Time:	90.03

Excision/Alteration: No Excisions Recommended.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The video recording *Joker Presents Volume 28*, also known as *Die Superfotze*, is classified as:
Objectionable.

The video recording contains 19 scenes compiled from German sexually explicit features. Some of these scenes show females, who are presented as young persons, engaging in sex. The females have young physical appearances, which are exacerbated by hairstyles, dress and demeanour more commonly associated with younger teenagers than adults. The scenes are intended to sexually arouse the viewer and have the effect of presenting young persons as sexually desirable and available. As a result, the video recording tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons and is therefore deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993.

The Classification Office has considered whether if the material causing the video recording to tend to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes were excised, the remaining material would receive a classification other than objectionable. However, the remaining sexual material contains numerous highly degrading, dehumanising and demeaning depictions that make the availability of the video recording likely to be injurious to the public good, and thus the video recording would still be classified as objectionable. The possibility of making excisions to the remaining material has been considered and rejected as impractical, due to the pervasive extent of the highly degrading, dehumanising and demeaning elements.

A classification of objectionable places a limit on the right to the freedom of expression as set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, in relation to this publication, the classification is considered to be a reasonable limit prescribed by law that can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society.

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